

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/800,444

Applicant(s)

CHU ET AL.

Examiner

Nicholas D. Rosen

Art Unit

3625

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Nicholas D. Rosen.

(3) _____.

(2) Charles Bieneman.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 10 July 2007.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Soulanille, Bates.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Bieneman argues that the groups taught in Bates are not the same as the groups defined in the specification. Examiner Rosen said that even if there were distinctions, they would have to be defined in the claims, or at least in the Remarks, but preferably in the claims. Several possible ways to draw the distinction were discussed, and the possibilities of an After Final, an RCE, or an Appeal were discussed.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Nicholas D. Rosen
NICHOLAS D. ROSEN
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required